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In re Application of:

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Examiner: Michael V. Miller

For: Aqueous Sustained-Release Formulations of Proteins

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In response to the Notice dated **September 13, 2004**, and to correct the inconsistency noted therein, Applicants submit herewith a copy of Figure 8.

In addition to the Figure, Applicants submit evidence that this Figure was originally included with the application at the time of filing, and thus does not constitute new matter.

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- a copy of Applicants' postcard receipt indicating eight (8) sheets of drawings were submitted at time of filing;
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Figures 8 are listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification but not contained in the Drawings.

Figures _____ are contained in the Drawings but not listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification.

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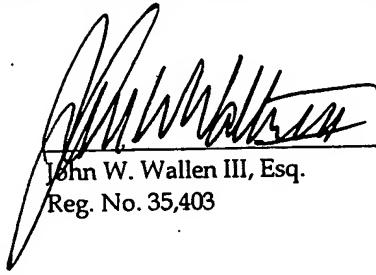
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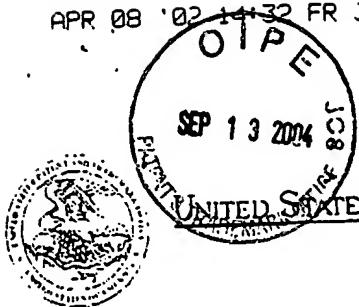
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